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Subject: RE: ACTION BY 11AM TUES, 11/23; Input for state secty talking points - PADEP and WVDEP

Thanks to all.

Happy Thanksgiving!

**From:** Rogers, Rick <rogers.rick@epa.gov> **Sent:** Tuesday, November 23, 2021 8:01 AM **To:** Garcia, Beth <garcia.beth@epa.gov>

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Beth,

Here are some new talking points on the CRW revised partial consent decree negotiations for the secretary's call.

Thanks, Steve and Pete!

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From: Gold, Peter < Gold. Peter@epa.gov > Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 7:11 AM To: Rogers, Rick < rogers.rick@epa.gov >

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Rick,

Steve put this on CRW together for the RA's talking points with the secretaries of PA and WV. It looks good to me to forward to Beth. Thanks

From: Maslowski, Steven < Maslowski. Steven@epa.gov>

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Pete,

Here is the CRW briefing information.

### **EPA and Capital Region Water Consent Decree Negotiations**

#### Update:

- EPA and PADEP (Litigation Team) have meetings on October 28 and November 1, and 16 to discuss the suite of deliverables.
- US DOJ sent a revised Consent Decree on November 22, 2021
- The Litigation Team hopes to schedule the next settlement meeting before Christmas.

### Background:

- On September 14, 2021, EPA and PADEP met with Capital Region Water (CRW) the wastewater authority in Harrisburg, PA to focus on the Consent Decree (CD) projects proposed in Appendix B.
- On October 5 and 8, 2021, CRW provided the underlying documents in support of Appendix B, a combination of collection system remedial and CSO reduction projects.
- Ex. 7(A) include, among other things, sewer separation from I-83, a joint CRW/PennDOT project which will convey stormwater from I-83 to the Paxton Creek, part of a \$100 million project cost investment by PennDOT which will help CRW meet the Paxton Creek TMDL.
- Additional projects proposed include five phases of Green Infrastructure financed by a \$13 million loan from PennVest which should yield a 10-15% reduction of CSO overflows through GI by 2032; a schedule for CCTV work of the remaining 50% of the collection system; upgrades to the Harrisburg Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant; repairs of CSO regulators and outfall pipes; and repairs to the Spring Creek interceptor.

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Please let me know by COB Monday 11/22 if you have anything for the RA to raise on the monthly calls with the WV DEP or PA DEP state secretaries. Below are the topics which were discussed last month. Thanks,

From: Garcia, Beth < garcia.beth@epa.gov > Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 7:18 PM

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Importance: High

**WVDEP** 

Hello ECAD Managers:

Thank you so much for your feedback on the State Secretary talking points for VADEQ and MDE. By **next Tues, Nov. 23, 11am**, please submit your proposal for any critical hot and/or emerging issues that you feel the RA should raise during his monthly meeting with **PADEP and WVDEP.** 

You have the option of either emailing me PRIOR to the managers meeting (preferred), or raising the topic during the meeting to confirm it should be included this month.

Please respond to this email with "no input" if no hot issues for your group.

For context, we submitted the following topics last month:

## NOVEMBER 2021 STATE SECRETARIES

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**EPA's National Compliance Initiative: Reducing Significant Non-Compliance** 

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Ex. 7(A)

- Once EPA and PADEP complete their review of all project documentation, they will determine if additional information is needed from CRW.
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